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IN REPLY REFER TO

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Ser SEA 00A5/DON-NAVY-2018-001014F  
November 7, 2017

Mr. Daniel DeCicco  
Drager, Errante, Yavitz & Blau  
116 East 27<sup>th</sup> Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10016

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT CASE DON-NAVY-2018-001014

Dear Mr. DeCicco:

This acknowledges receipt and is a final response to your November 2, 2017, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request in which you seek clarification regarding our earlier correspondence to you that indicated we searched for the "USS FORT MANDAN" instead of the "USS LST 603" from 1947-1961.

We apologize for identifying the wrong ship name that was used as the search criteria in that response. We had the Logistics, Maintenance and Industrial Operations Directorate (SEA 04) conduct a second search of its records and after another extensive search of those files, knowledgeable personnel with that office were unable to locate any records about the "USS LST 603" as responsive to your request.

If you believe that this office did not conduct an adequate search, you may file an administrative appeal. Should you decide to file an appeal, it must be received within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter and should contain a copy of your original requests, a copy of this letter, and a statement indicating why you think your appeal should be granted. Attach a copy of this letter to the appeal and mark the appeal and the envelope, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Mail the original to the Department of the Navy, Office of the General Counsel, Attn: FOIA APPEALS, 1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 5A532, Washington, DC 20350-1000. Please mail a copy of the appeal to:

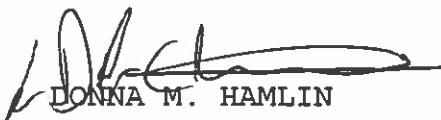
Commander  
Naval Sea Systems Command (SEA 00A5)  
1333 Isaac Hull Ave SE  
Washington Navy Yard, DC 20376-1021

As an alternative to filing an appeal, you may seek Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR). You may submit your request for ADR either to DONFOIA-PA@navy.mil or you can call the Navy FOIA Service Center at 202-685-0214 or via the following address:

Chief of Naval Operations (DNS-36)  
Attn: FOIA/PA Service Center  
C/O - Head, SECNAV/CNO FOIA/PA Program Office  
2000 Navy Pentagon  
Washington, DC 20350-2000

If you have any questions concerning the processing of your request, please contact Ms. Ginger Dolan, at 202-781-3359.

Sincerely,

  
DONNA M. HAMLIN  
By direction